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City of Charleston Firefighter Memorial Service – Information

The public is invited to attend the memorial service for the nine firefighters killed in Monday's fire. Details about the service are as follows:

Procession, 8:00 a.m.

A procession of more than 100 fire trucks will begin lining up on Chapel Street at East Bay Street in downtown Charleston at 5:00 a.m. Friday. The procession will leave at 8:00 a.m. and take the following route to the North Charleston Coliseum:

- Left on East Bay Street
- Right on Calhoun Street
- Right on Coming Street
- Left on Spring Street
- Over the Ashley River Bridges (US 17 South)
- Continue on US 17 South (Savannah Highway)
- East on I-526 to Montague Ave. / International Boulevard exit
- Straight through the light to International Boulevard
- Right onto International Boulevard
- End at the North Charleston Coliseum at 5001 Coliseum Drive

Along the route, the public can expect temporary road blocks and lengthy delays as the procession passes. Motorists traveling in these areas are encouraged to take alternate routes.

Memorial Service, 10:00 a.m.

- The service will begin at 10:00 a.m. at the North Charleston Coliseum and is expected to last between one-and-a-half and two hours.
- The Coliseum doors will open to the public at 8:30 a.m.
- More than 30,000 people are expected to attend the memorial service. Seating inside the Coliseum is limited, so a large screen will be placed outside the Coliseum where the public can view the service. Local television stations will also air the memorial service.
- Parking at the coliseum is limited. Organizers are encouraging people to carpool. Overflow parking will be available at the Tanger Outlet Mall with CARTA shuttles carrying people to and from the parking area.

- No flash photography will be permitted.
- The Memorial Service program will be posted at www.charlestoncity.info.
- The North Charleston and American LaFrance Fire Museum and Educational Center located next to the Tanger Outlet Mall will be open and free to the public on Friday from noon – 5:00 p.m., and Saturday, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

FOR MORE INFO:

Please monitor our web site for updates: www.charlestoncity.info

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